

Conflicting Stories Keep Fans Guessing

FIGHT PROMOTERS READY FOR BATTLE

Gleason Says San Francisco;
Rickard Says Salt
Lake City.

EACH CLAIMS RIGHT TO NAME FIGHT LOCATION

Fans Believe Controversy Is a
Scheme to Boost the Box-
ing Contest.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 16.—A bitter controversy has been engendered between the two fight promoters who are to handle the Jeffries-Johnson championship fight, Jack Gleason of San Francisco and Tex Rickard of Nevada, over the selection of a battle ground. Just at present there is a wide difference of opinion between the two managers as to where the go will be held. Tex Rickard issued a statement last night that the fight would take place in Salt Lake City or the immediate vicinity. In response, Jack Gleason just as positively stated that when Jeffries and Johnson meet in the ring, the greatest fight event in years will take place in San Francisco. And this condition the situation is left hanging in mid-air. Where the controversy will end is coming to be the main topic for discussion and speculation in the sporting world.

Rickard in his statement charges that Gleason has not advanced one cent in the transaction so far. Of the \$101,000 forfeit guarantee that the two heavyweights would be offered, he said only \$20,000 has been paid. Rickard asserts that Gleason did not put up a cent of this forfeit, hence cannot assume to dictate.

Gleason Claims Honors.
Gleason entrenches himself beside the declaration that Rickard could not have become a partner in the enterprise if it had not been for the Gleason influence with Sam Berger and Jim Jeffries.

The main point in dispute between the two managers is the question of which city shall be chosen for the fight—San Francisco or Salt Lake City. It appears that the matter has ceased to be a contest between the cities, however, and that it has resolved itself into a tussle for authority between Gleason and Rickard. The balance of power seems to be with the fighters and the local sporting fraternity is almost unanimously of the opinion that the fight will be held wherever Jeffries dictates. Nothing has yet been heard from either of the two principals since Gleason and Rickard fell out.

It is well known that Jeffries is partial to San Francisco as a place in which to handle big ring contests. Jeffries is a Californian and Berger, his manager, is a San Francisco boy. Jack Johnson has often said that he has always been well pleased with the way in which he was treated in San Francisco.

"When all is said and done, the big fight will be held here," said Jack Gleason tonight at the Olympic club.

Agreement Entered.
"I say so, and it was agreed in New York that I should have the naming of the place. I don't care what Tex Rickard says about it. I know what I am talking about. I don't care to get into controversy over this thing, but I want it distinctly understood that I am to name the place. Sam Berger will back me up in this matter. He knows and Johnson and Little both know. I am content to leave it to them. They will tell who was given authority to choose the battle ground. The fighters want to go to the place where the fight can be most advantageously handled, and I am ready at any time to take the whole thing. I can handle this fight and I intend to handle it at least my end of it. I say again that if Tex does not want to go through with it the way we agreed to do, I'll relieve him of any further responsibility."

Jeff would never have committed to sign those articles with Rickard as one of the partners in the affair if it had not been for me. I'm not going to stand for

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SALT AIR GETS CHAMPIONSHIP CONTEST

JOHNSON SAYS TEX RICKARD WHOLE THING

Nevada Mining Man Has Authority to Name City for Contest.

Special to The Tribune.
NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Jack Johnson, when asked tonight as to who was the real fight promoter of the Jeffries-Johnson contest, said:

"Tex" Rickard is the promoter, and wherever he decides to place the contest, there it will go. We fighters have nothing to say as regards the location. We have been guaranteed \$101,000 for the contest. As far as favoring one city over another, I cannot say that I personally do. I have friends wherever I go, and I say let the city set it that makes the best showing. Salt Lake City being in the heart of the mining district, it appears to me that the promoters can get more money in the Mormon city in one day than they could in San Francisco in a week. The Jones-Nelson fight in Goldfield paid \$25,000, a much larger purse than has ever been secured in a Pacific coast city. Take it from me, Rickard's decision in the matter is final."

The foregoing statement made by Jack Johnson, heavyweight champion of the world, entirely clears the newspaper controversy between "Tex" Rickard and Jack Gleason as to the location of the fight, as well as to who has the real authority in naming the location. Johnson's statement bears out evidence heard heretofore by Rickard, while it puts a damper on Gleason. The latter said in an Associated Press dispatch to leave the matter to the fighters. Johnson has come through with his answer and says "Tex" is it.

The Salt Lake fans invite Gleason to come over and get into line, claiming he is too good a fellow to be left out in the cold.

AUTOMOBILE SHOW

The management of the automobile show scheduled to be held at the auditorium February 19 to 26, Saturday announced the names of the local dealers that have contracted for space and who will have a full line of cars on exhibition. They are: The Consolidated Wagon & Machine company, Sherman Automobile company, White Savage company, Tom Bortwell company, Utah Implement Vehicle company, Studebaker Bros. company, Randall-Dodd company, J. L. Gilmer company, Raymond & Brack, Texcar and Automobile company, A. O. Whitmore, Evans, Hewes and Evans, and the Utah Motor company. These firms have been huge for months preparing their exhibitions and announce that they will have special features in addition to the latest models. Some are planning to show all the parts of their machines in working order so that the public may see the exact "inside workings" of the machine. In order to do this the factories have to go to a big expense fitting up the parts and ship them to Salt Lake.

Decorative Maack, who landed the bid to decorate the auditorium at a figure in excess of \$200, says that he has already ordered the necessary decorations from the east by wire.

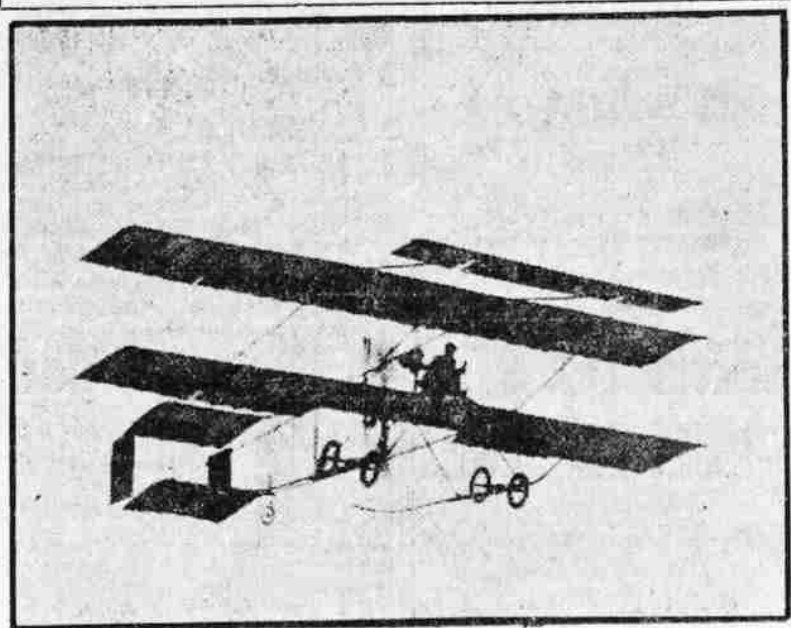
The auto girl promises to be one of the features of the show. The publicity committee had a local artist design a poster with an auto girl pointing to the catch phrase, "Meet Me at the Auto Show." The girl and phrase will be used continually in all publicity matter from now until the show opens.

JEFFRIES TO ARRIVE HERE NEXT SATURDAY

Advance agent E. J. McCullough of the James Jeffries-Gotch company closed final arrangements with Manager Grant of the Colonial for the use of the theater Saturday night, January 22, at which time the Jeffries company will appear here for one evening. McCullough said that he had a great deal of trouble in closing final arrangements for a suitable place and not until yesterday afternoon was it decided that Jeffries would appear in public here.

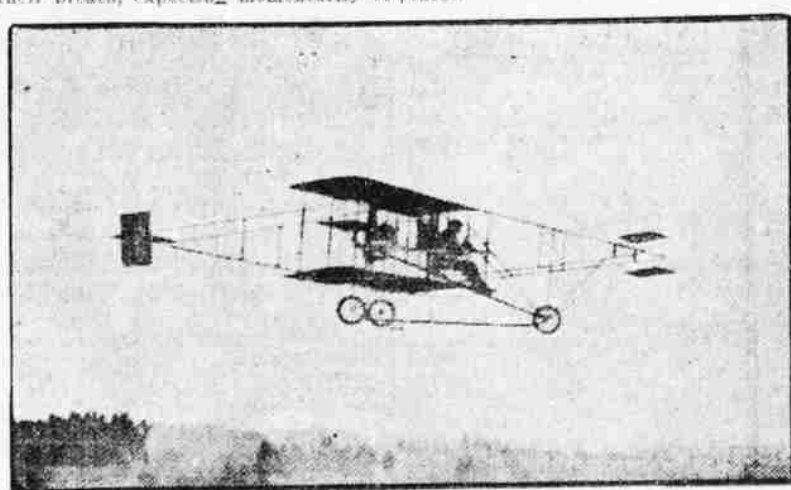
McCullough will leave tonight for Ogden where he expects to close arrangements for one day and from there the party is to go to Idaho, Montana and then to the northwest and down the coast to San Angeles. McCullough also said that Jeffries has followed example of the presidential political campaigners and is making short speeches from the rear end of his special train at all stations where the cars stop.

AIRSHIPS IN FLIGHT



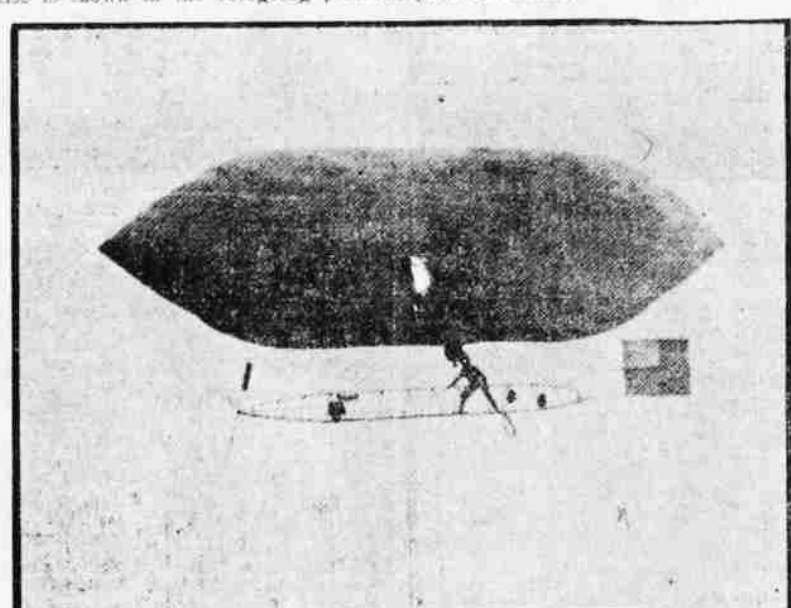
PAULHAN BIPLANE.

The foregoing picture shows Paulhan, the daring Frenchman, in his biplane in the act of ascending for the world's height record. Paulhan remained in the air for nearly an hour and rose to a distance of 4165 feet before he returned to the earth. At one time he entirely disappeared from view, and over 10,000 spectators held their breath, expecting momentarily to see the nifty aeronaut coming down in a broken machine and dashed to pieces. When Paulhan returned he was given the greatest applause ever heard at any games and he was the hero of the hour. Harry Shipley of this city snapped the airship soon after it left the ground for the record flying picture. He also took the two following pictures.



GLENN H. CURTISS BIPLANE.

When it comes for speed records, driving his biplane at a terrific rate of speed. He holds the record at Los Angeles for one lap, one mile, and the quickest starter.



KNABENSHUE DIRIGIBLE.

The foregoing picture shows a light-speed and can be made to go in any direction with the rudder attached. It can travel at a high rate of

SALT AIR BEACH GETS BIG FIGHT

Contest Will Be Held in
Arena of the Saucer
Track.

TO BE REMODELED TO SEAT 40,000 PEOPLE

Rickard Decides Upon Location
After Seeing Them All: People
Are Pleased.

Not only has this city secured the Jeffries-Johnson boxing contest for the heavyweight championship of the world, but also the place where it is to be held has been selected—the bicycle track arena at Saltair. After looking over all the prospective sites in Salt Lake City, "Tex" Rickard decided that Saltair was by far the best place of all he had seen in which to hold the contest.

In order to accommodate the large crowd which is expected to attend the contest, Rickard says, that the bicycle track will be torn out and the floor seats extended under the present grandstand seats. Then there will be two galleries above the grandstand seats, having a seating capacity of over 5000. The present seating capacity is 4000, and it is estimated that with the rippling out of the track and extending the seats under the grandstand it will be possible to seat not less than 30,000 people on the arena floor, making in all a total seating capacity of 40,000.

In order to get sunlight for the light pictures, part of the roof will be removed, and as the contest will be started at noon, when the sun is high, the picture problem is easily solved.

Manager Langford will commence remodeling the saucer track as soon as the weather will permit. Langford also says that with the improved railroad facilities contemplated this spring, the Saltair Beach company will be able to handle the people, no matter how many wish to go to the resort, and says that from 10 a. m. to noon the company will be in a position to handle 50,000 people, if necessary.

The question has been asked whether the saucer track could hold the large crowd looked for. Manager Langford says that the saucer will hold six times its carrying weight.

A. Fred Wey said that he never saw so many well pleased people when it was learned that he has received several orders for rooms, and believes that before the month is out the Wilson hotel will have all its rooms supplied for this city. And the fact that the contest will be held at Saltair is another pleasing feature with the people. He also announced that he has received several orders for rooms, and believes that before the month is out the Wilson hotel will have all its rooms supplied for this city. And the fact that the contest will be held at Saltair is another pleasing feature with the people.

ONE THOUSAND PEOPLE WILL COME FROM IDAHO

Special to The Tribune.
ST. ANTHONY, Idaho, Jan. 16.—Secretary W. H. Roberts of the St. Anthony Commercial club, announced today that a special train would carry 1000 people out of this city and neighborhood to Salt Lake City, providing the Jeffries-Johnson boxing match was held in that city. Only a few people volunteered to go to San Francisco, owing to the long distance, but the trip from here to Salt Lake is short and inexpensive and not a man has been seen in this part of the country who says he will not go to the contest. The boxing fans here hope that Salt Lake clinches the match.

Springville Wins.

Special to The Tribune.
AMERICAN FORK, Jan. 16.—The basketball team of the Springville high school played an interesting game at Alpine last evening with the high school of that place to a score of 25 to 35 in favor of the visitors.

Favors Boxing Contest.

Special to The Tribune.
AMERICAN FORK, Jan. 15.—The news that the big boxing contest between Jeffries and Johnson has been definitely decided to be held in or near Salt Lake City was very interesting reading for the people of this city, and men from all walks expressed their satisfaction over the decision. It can be depended upon that a large delegation from here will see the contest, feeling that it will be an opportunity of a lifetime.

BEDWELL ENTRIES COME IN ONE, TWO

Shilling Opens Ten Lengths on
Field With Right
Easy.

JUAREZ, Mex., Jan. 16.—The H. G. Bedwell entries, Right Easy and Prince Ahmed, ran one two in the El Paso handicap, one mile, at Terraza park today.

Shilling had the mount on Right Easy and opened up a lead of ten lengths in the first half-mile and won by two lengths in 1:53 1-2. Right Easy stepped the first half-mile in 46 seconds. The weather was ideal and an exceptionally large crowd turned out. Six favorites were defeated.

Summary:
First race, selling, six furlongs—Mary Genevieve, 117 (Gleason), 8 to 1, won; Bob Lenz, 164 (Garner), 3 to 1, second; Lord Clinton, 109 (Shilling), 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:14. Judith Page, Miss Hardy, Elvies, Uncle Peter, Sam Webb, Prudish, Daisy Garth and Billy Bard also ran.
Second race, selling, six furlongs—Garry King, 164 (Kennedy), 9 to 1, won; Right Knight, 161 (Molesworth), 7 to 1, second; Executive, 110 (Small), 9 to 2, third. Time, 1:12. Ocean Queen, Meddling, Hannah, Mrs. Howard Pearson and Deeter Mack also ran.
Third race, six furlongs—Ruston, 90 (Garner), 5 to 1, won; Ed Kack, 93 (Benecenti), 8 to 1, second; Sociable, 95 (Ramsey), 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:12 1-2. The Red Topland, J. H. Houghton and La Dextra also ran.
Fourth race, the El Paso handicap, one mile—Right Easy, 114 (Shilling), 3 to 1, won; Prince Ahmed, 125 (Austin), 5 to 1, second; Glorio, 137 (E. Wilson), 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:53 1-2. Meadow, Orbicular and Charlie Hargrave also ran.
Fifth race, five and one-half furlongs—Enfield, 112 (Garner), 3 to 1, won; Jolly, 97 (Benecenti), 15 to 1, second; Time, 1:06 3-4. Seven Full also ran.
Sixth race, selling, mile—Sensible, 105 (Benecenti), 10 to 1, won; Himalaya, 111 (Molesworth), 8 to 1, second; Kopak, 104 (Ramsey), 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:29 3-4. Aquila, Whip Top, Bonnie Prince Charlie, Gerrymanor also ran.

Salt Lake Gun Club

Win Young led the champions in a bluebird match at the range Sunday, breaking forty-two bluebirds out of a possible fifty. A strong south wind was blowing and it was pretty hard to connect with the small targets. Young seemed to be the only one present who had his "single" eye with him.
Eight more "jokers" in the crowd came to light when John Boa commenced to shoot. He broke five targets out of the first twenty-five, and thirteen out of another twenty-five. At first Boa blamed the wind, but said that he had shot in worse winds and had never made such a poor score. He examined the nest box of shells and found that half of the shells had no shot, evidently having been extracted by some one. Boa offered \$100 reward for the culprit.
The individual score was as follows:

Targets.	Hits.	Total.
Young	21	42
Cowan	20	41
McGowan	19	38
Scheffold	20	38
Boyle	14	28
Boyan	13	26
Ryan	15	30

The following shot for twenty-five targets: Mills, 22; Fisher, 11; Grimmer, 15; Dr. Brownfield, 13.
After the club shoot, Katy East Harris in a match shoot by the score of 14 to 9, in a twenty-five-target race for a side bet of \$25.

RIFLE CLUB

Owing to the windy day, the rifle shooters found it hard to connect with the bullseye on the 200-yard range Sunday afternoon. Taylor won the high score, as well as the high average, with Letchfield a close second.
The individual scores were as follows:

Targets.	Hits.	Total.
Taylor	68	136
Letchfield	68	136
Yeager	68	136
Benton	68	136
Shepherd	68	136
Smith	68	136

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Paulhan Will Try to Break Distance Record

AERONAUTS GIVE FINE EXHIBIT

Curtiss Outclasses Paulhan
Fancy Flying in
Biplanes.

HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE
STRANDED ON MUD

French Champion Will Try
Farman's 144-Mile
Record.

AVIATION CAMP, LOS ANGELES, Jan. 16.—The wind and the rain spiraled today to test the mettle of the ships flying on Aviation field. The result was a victory for Glenn H. Curtiss and Louis Paulhan.

In half a gale of wind, Curtiss to a height of more than 100 feet and performed as pretty a piece of aerobics as has ever been seen. He described circles in daring fashion and dipped and heeled again and again, winding up by cutting the wind.

Paulhan strove to outdo this, and 512 feet, and circling about the over a barn yard. But his exhibition fancy air-skating lacked something of the brilliancy shown by the American.

Another wonder picture was given by Curtiss and Paulhan and Hamilton. A new word has been coined in an aerial marathon. At times the three headed against the wind, raced together heading against the wind, they played tag with each other. By the time the event was over, they were all over the place, and around each other, giving the trembling stands with sure steps. There were no accidents, and the marvels of the day.

Afraid of Wind.
The aviators did not want to fly in the wind. They knew the wind strains delicate silk frames and pulls at the cables with cruel fingers. But the wind was there and something had to be done to amuse the throngs of spectators. A new word has been coined in aviation field. It is "Aerobatics."

The population of Los Angeles exhibited of this peculiar form of activity. Throughout the rain of the day, they went in droves to the field, lying in mud along the fence line, the dripping seats in the grandstands. They started out in wagon loads near-by towns and farms and in automobiles from the city. The mud many of them and the road grounds was strewn with many happy band of stranded pilgrims. To begin the biggest crowd of the had gathered. Even the neighbors were in the crowd. The rain ceased and the sun peeped out. The aviators were not long in following. They came up with a rush and called grand stand in two qualifying. He veered and shot out of the back of the grand stand 200 feet going over the field again after run. When he came down he said he had intended to try ten laps but found the wind too strong for westward course.

Daring Flights.
Then Curtiss came out in a pr fight. Hamilton and Paulhan gathered in a wind-bucking one were sent out of the course a back of the grand stand. Paulhan dodging that his machine was the strain well, made another speed. In four rounds his best 238 1-2. Curtiss's record is 241. Finding he could not win in his han tried to lower Curtiss's standard. He made it on the soft 135 1-2 foot. Curtiss's record for 95 feet.

Roy Knabenshue and Lincoln brought out their dirigibles. They up and struggled hard against the wind.

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